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RESOLUTION NO. 23

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT THE PROPOSAL TO SHOW THE ALLEGED "SEX VIDEO" ATTRIBUTED TO SENATOR LEILA DE LIMA IS ILLEGAL, VIOLATIVE OF INTER-PARLIAMENTARY COURTESY AND DECENCY, AND AN AFFRONT TO WOMEN'S DIGNITY

WHEREAS, Senator Leila de Lima is the subject of a House investigation on her alleged involvement in drug-related activities at the New Bilibid Prison;

WHEREAS, some members of the House of Representatives are pushing for the showing of a video allegedly depicting the Senator in acts of a sexual nature;

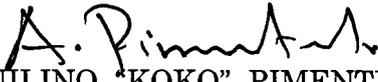
WHEREAS, showing this video violates Republic Act No. 9995, or the Anti-Photo and Video Voyeurism Act of 2009, and Republic Act No. 4200, or the Anti-Wiretapping Law;

WHEREAS, it also violates the time-honored principle of inter-parliamentary courtesy, given that Senator de Lima is a sitting senator and should therefore not be subjected to the ridicule and ignominy of a purported sex video;

WHEREAS, most importantly, it is a blow to our collective struggle to uplift the dignity of the woman, respect her agency and her autonomy over her own body, and is a form of slut-shaming that will not set a good example for the country: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved, as it is hereby resolved,* To express the sense of the Senate to condemn and oppose in the strongest possible terms the proposal to show the alleged sex video in the Congressional probe at the House of Representatives.

Adopted,

  
AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III  
*President of the Senate*

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on October 4, 2016.

  
LUTGARDO B. BARBO  
*Secretary of the Senate*